

II. SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 26 through page 5, line 27 as written below:

Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional view of the floor tile of Fig. 2 taken along the line 3-3 thereof, showing the mating of the tile's upper surface to the backing surface of the attached carpeting or linoleum;

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 1 through page 10, line 13 as written below:

The tile design of Figs. 1 to 3 comprises horizontal walls and vertical walls 15 which intersect to form square compartments enclosing diagonal, intermediate height, X-shaped walls 16 and a central post or support leg 15 of maximum height corresponding to the height of the horizontal and vertical walls 15. In order to provide a circulation airspace 17 beneath the tiles 10 of Figs 1 to 3 it is necessary to provide openings or ports in the vertical and/or horizontal walls to reduce sections thereof from a maximum height 15 to an intermediate height 16 and to enable any water vapor to circulate or be moved through an air circulation network 17 beneath all areas of each tile 10. Referring now to Fig. 3, the upper surface 32 of the tile 10 may be plain or have a decorative finish. Additionally, carpet or linoleum 30 may be preattached the upper surface 32 of the tile 10 by adhering the backing of the carpet or linoleum 31 to the upper surface 32.